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Clampless Hose Retainer Mechanism

**RESPONSE** 

Commissioner of Patents. P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This paper is responsive to the Office Action mailed on March 24, 2003. Claims 1-24 remain in this application. Claims 1-8, 10-18 and 20 have been amended and claims 21-24 have been added. Please amend the application as follows.

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